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## **EX PARTE NOTICE**

Marlene H, Dortch, Secretary, Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> St, SW Washington, DC 20554

In re: 700 MHz Interoperable Broadband Public Safety Broadband Network PS Docket 06-229

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On December 3, 2009, Roger Quayle, Chief Technology and Co-Founder of IPWireless, Andy Smith, Vice President of IPWireless, and I, the undersigned, visited with Julius Knapp, Walter Johnston, Alan Stillwell with the offices of OET, Tom Peters with the offices of OSP, Saurbh Chhabra of the WTB, and other staff members of the OSP to follow up on our previous meeting of October 11, 2009 related to efforts to development and implementation of an interoperable broadband network for public safety.

The focus of this meeting was to respond to question from the FCC related to technical issues in chip design in the 700 MHz band that will allow coverage of multiple band classes, including the public safety and D block, in a single device. Additional questions were addressed regarding the cost impact of chip designs that cover multiple band classes.

Last, IPWireless answered questions regarding time-to-market issues for LTE deployments. IPWireless reiterated support for the call from the public safety community to standardize LTE as the vehicle for nationwide interoperability. Given concerns about time to market for LTE for public safety users, however, jurisdictions seeking waivers to deploy a broadband solution at the earliest possible date should be allowed to consider solutions that are standardized within the 3GPP standards process that will allow compatibility and migration with/to LTE when it is ready for deployment in a public safety environment.

Respectfully Submitted,

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